

June 4, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Notice

In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Review of the
Definition of Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, June 4, 2003, John Rose and Jeffrey W. Smith of OPASTCO and I met with William Maher, Chief Wireline Competition Bureau, Carol Matthey, Eric Einhorn, Narda Jones, Diane Law Hsu and Elizabeth Yockus. We discussed positions taken by NTCA and OPASTCO in their comments in the above proceeding.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, an original and two copies of this letter are being filed with the Secretary's Office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703 351-2021.

Sincerely,

/s/ L. Marie Guillory
L. Marie Guillory
Vice President
Legal and Industry

cc: William Maher
 Jeffrey W. Smith
 Carol Matthey
 Eric Einhorn
 Narda Jones
 Diane Law Hsu
 Elizabeth Yockus